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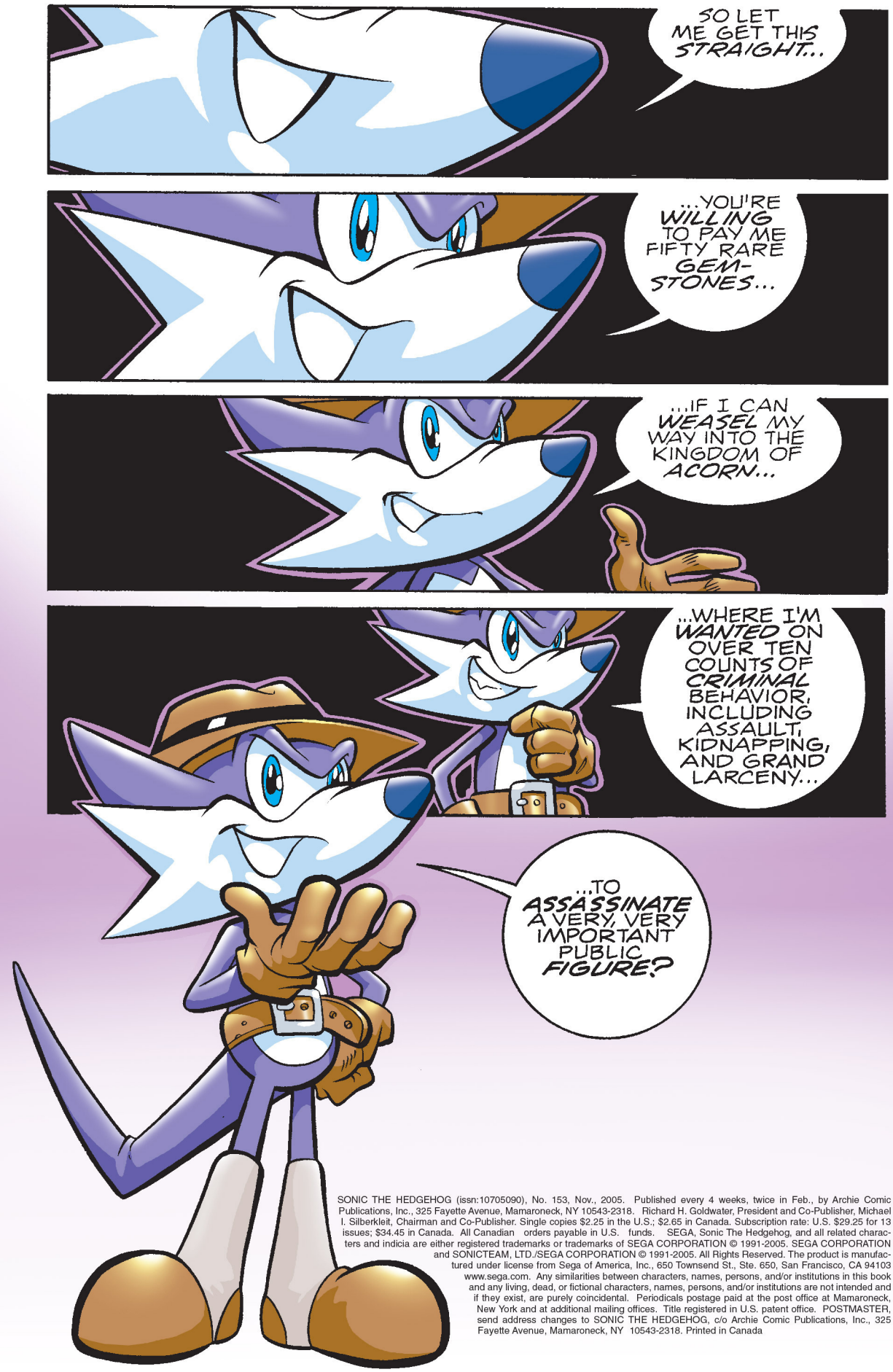
SO LET ME GET THIS STRAIGHT...
...YOU'RE WILLING TO PAY ME FIFTY RARE GEM-STONES...
...IF I CAN WEASEL MY WAY INTO THE KINGDOM OF ACORN...
...WHERE I'M WANTED ON OVER TEN COUNTS OF CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR, INCLUDING ASSAULT, KIDNAPPING, AND GRAND LARCENY...
...TO ASSASSINATE A VERY, VERY IMPORTANT PUBLIC FIGURE?

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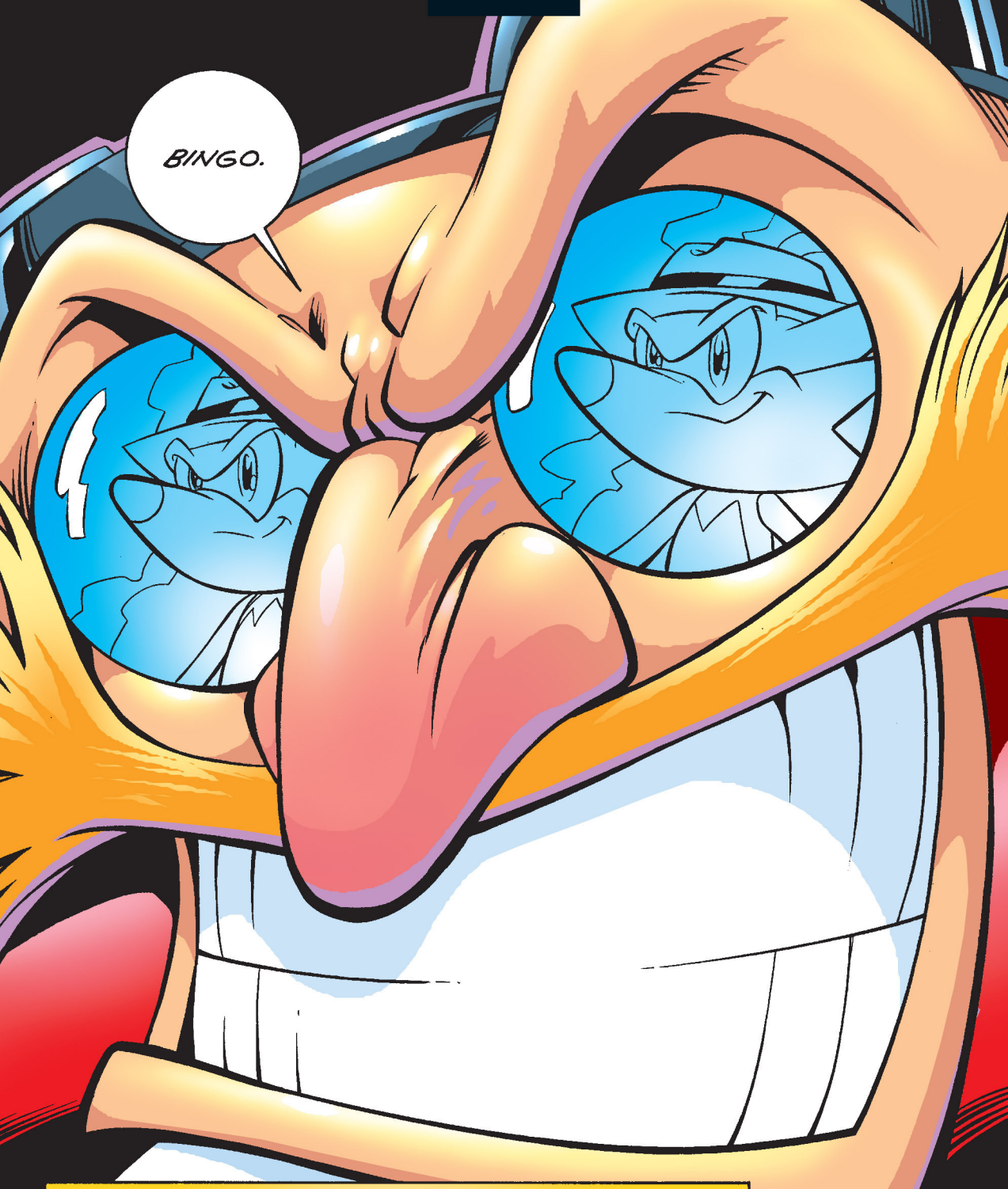

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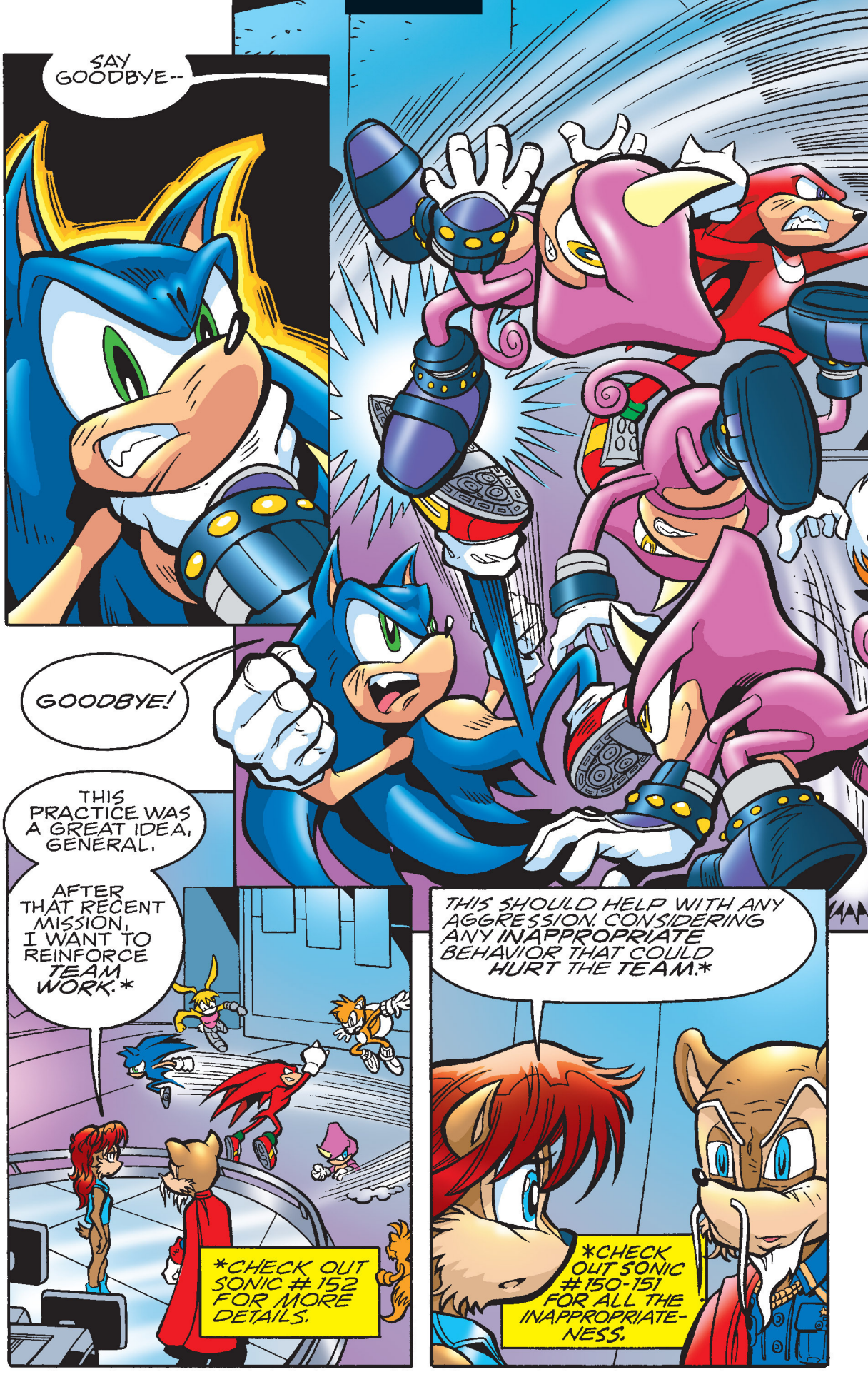
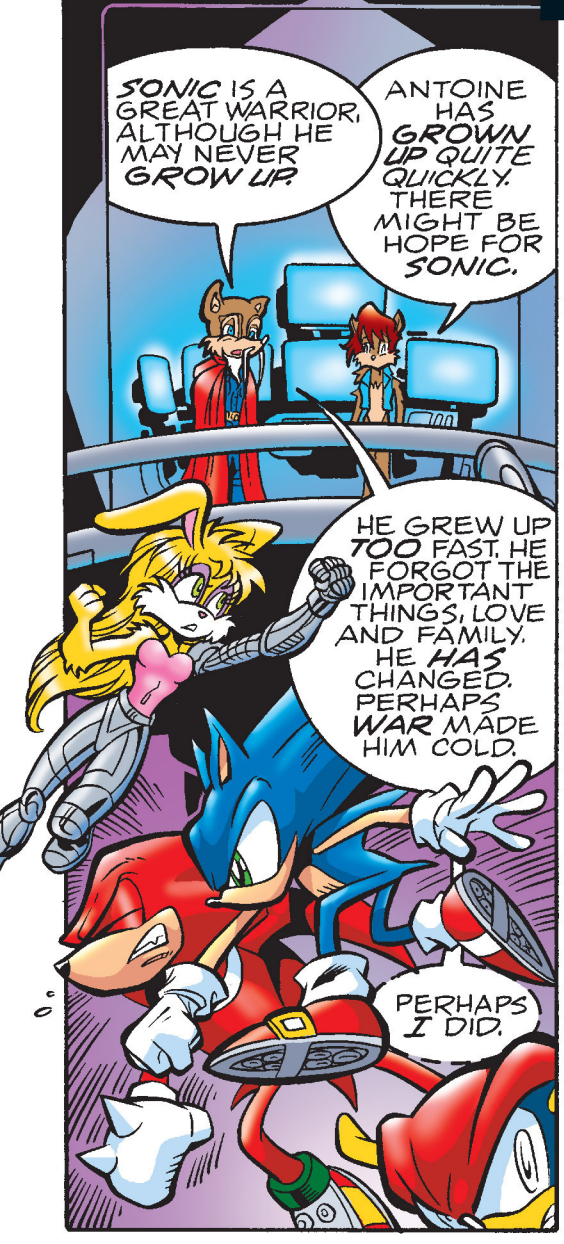
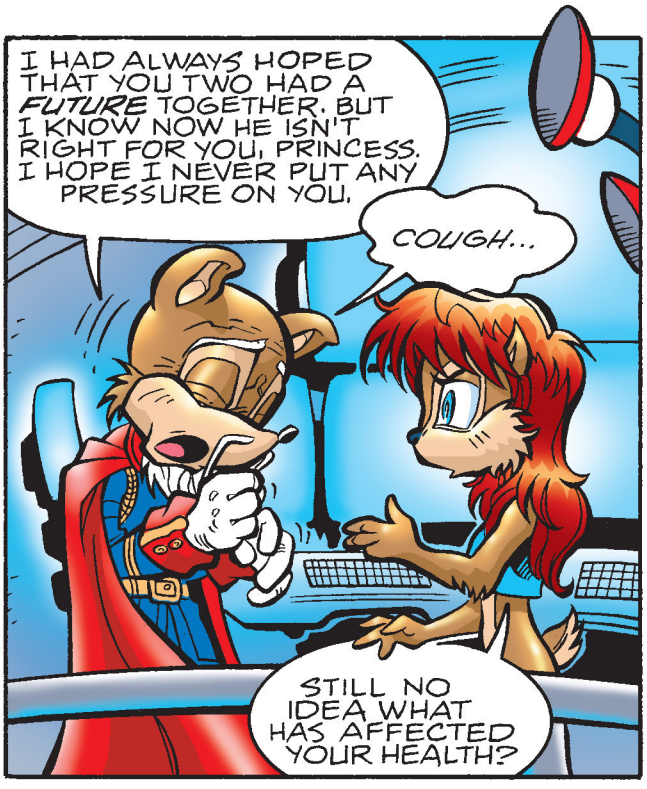
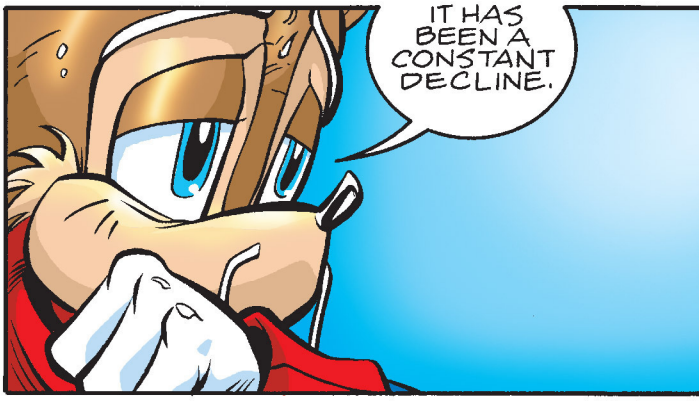
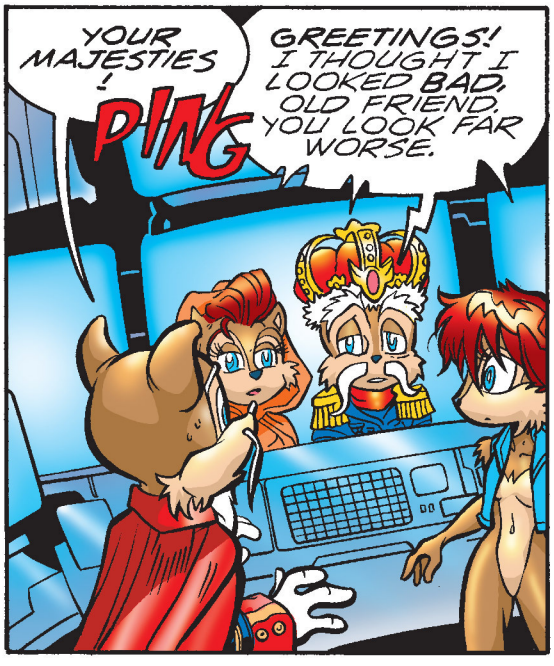
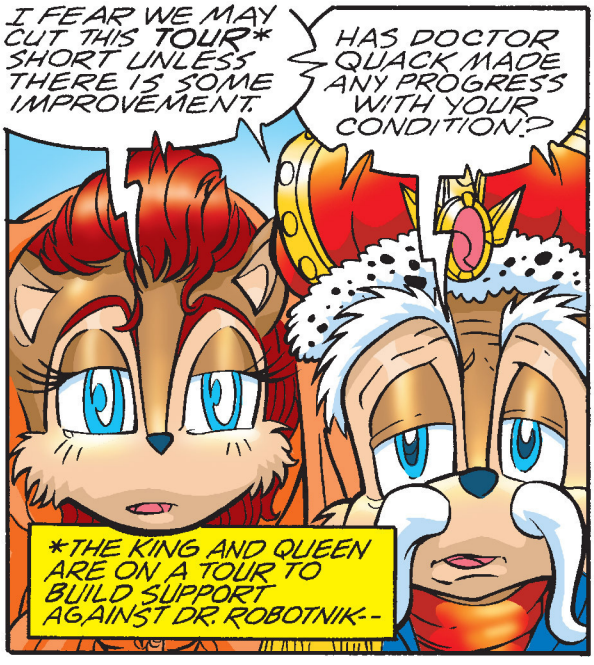

SAY GOODBYE--
GOODBYE!
THIS PRACTICE WAS A GREAT IDEA, GENERAL.
AFTER THAT RECENT MISSION, I WANT TO REINFORCE TEAM WORK.*
*CHECK OUT SONIC #152 FOR MORE DETAILS.
THIS SHOULD HELP WITH ANY AGGRESSION. CONSIDERING ANY INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR THAT COULD HURT THE TEAM.*
*CHECK OUT SONIC #150-151 FOR ALL THE INAPPROPRIATE-NESS.

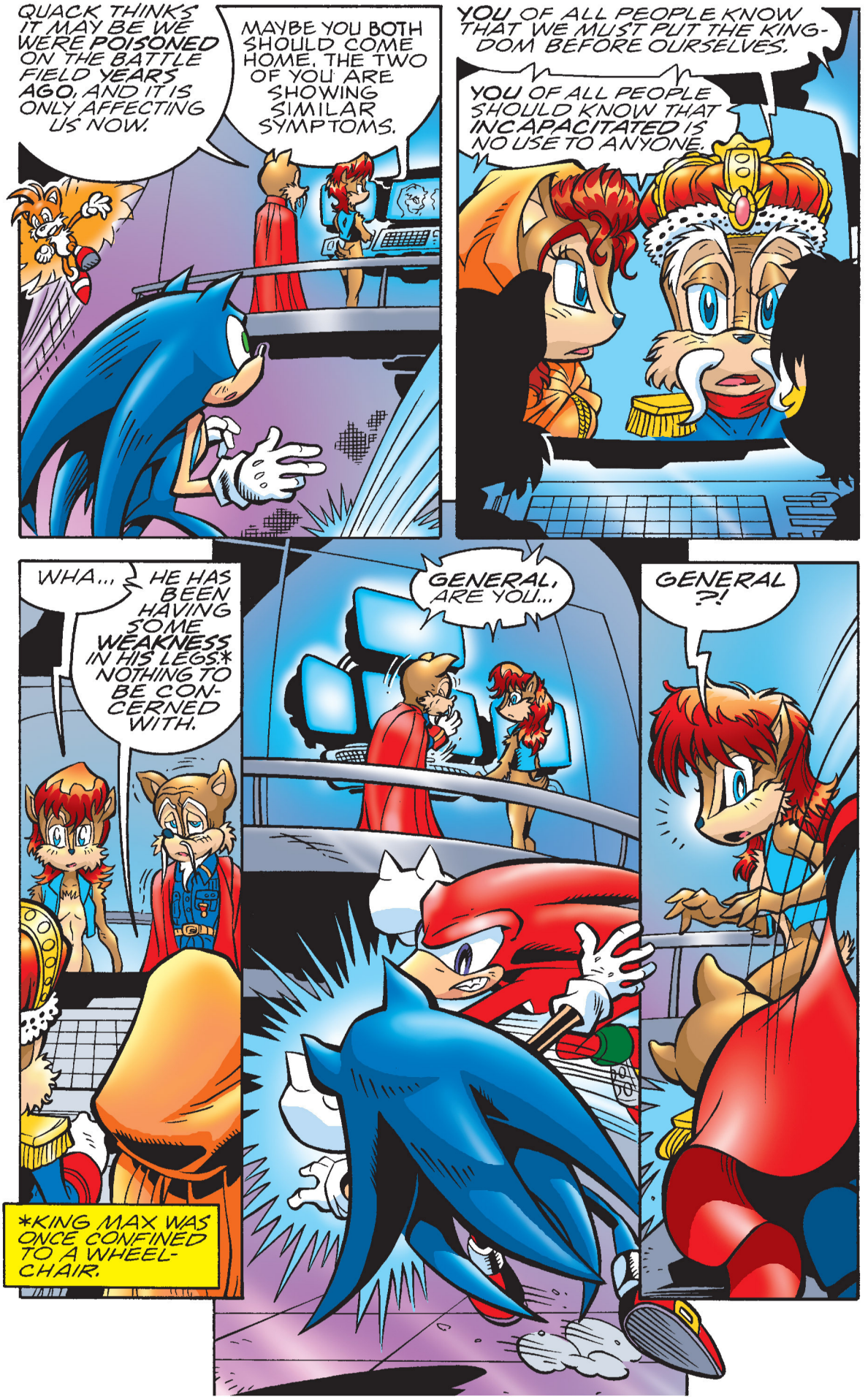

SONIC IS A GREAT WARRIOR, ALTHOUGH HE MAY NEVER GROW UP.
ANTOINE HAS GROWN UP QUITE QUICKLY. THERE MIGHT BE HOPE FOR SONIC.
HE GREW UP TOO FAST. HE FORGOT THE IMPORTANT THINGS, LOVE AND FAMILY. HE HAS CHANGED. PERHAPS WAR MADE HIM COLD.
PERHAPS I DID.

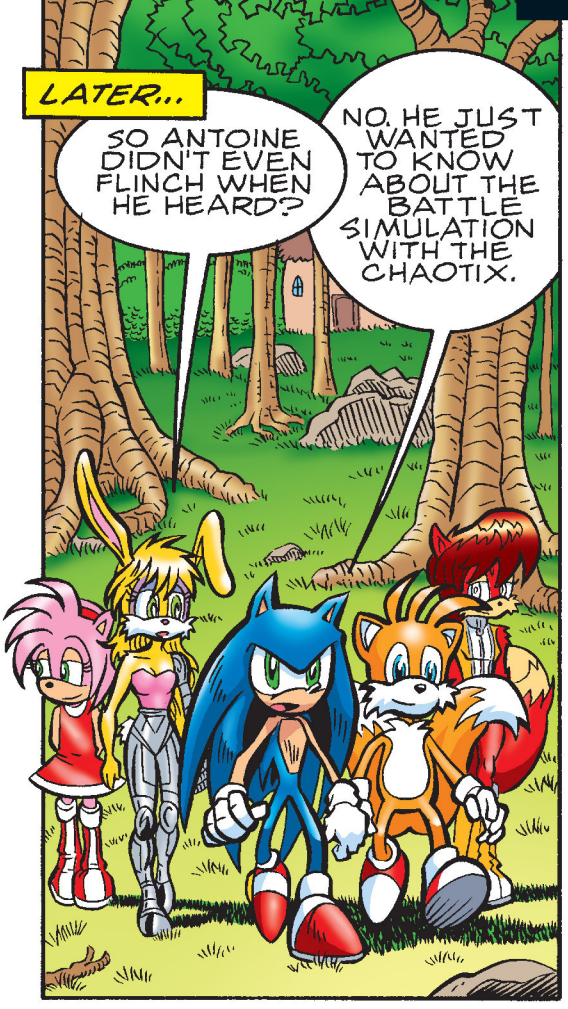

I HAD ALWAYS HOPED THAT YOU TWO HAD A FUTURE TOGETHER. BUT I KNOW NOW HE ISN'T RIGHT FOR YOU, PRINCESS. I HOPE I NEVER PUT ANY PRESSURE ON YOU.
COUGH...
STILL NO IDEA WHAT HAS AFFECTED YOUR HEALTH?

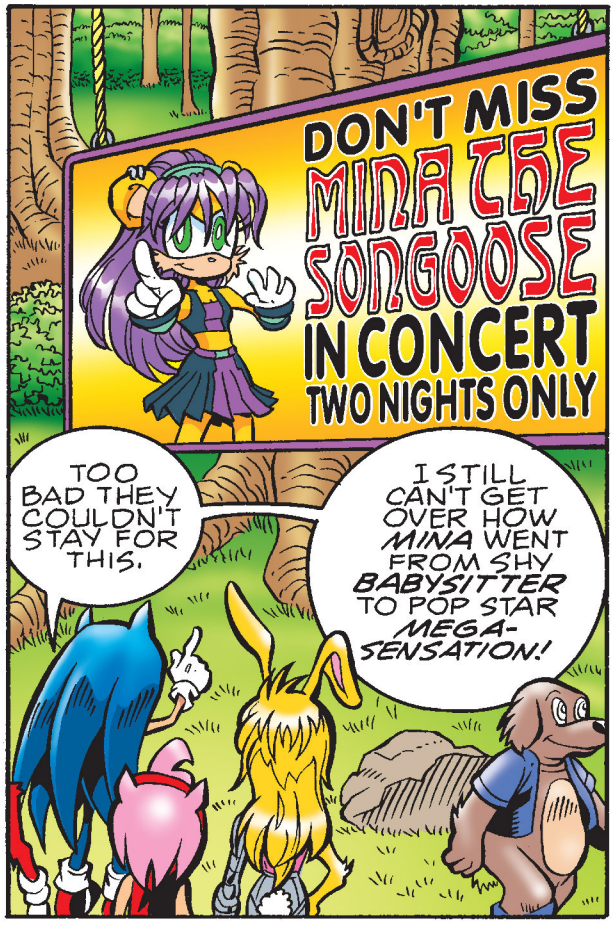

IT HAS BEEN A CONSTANT DECLINE.

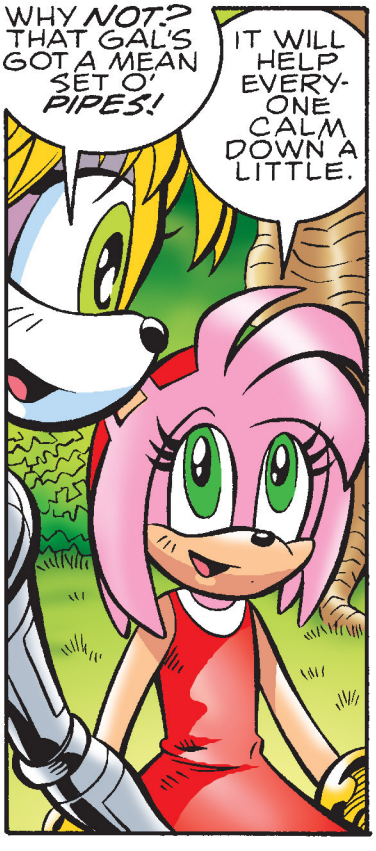

YOUR MAJESTIES!
PING
GREETINGS! I THOUGHT I LOOKED BAD, OLD FRIEND. YOU LOOK FAR WORSE.

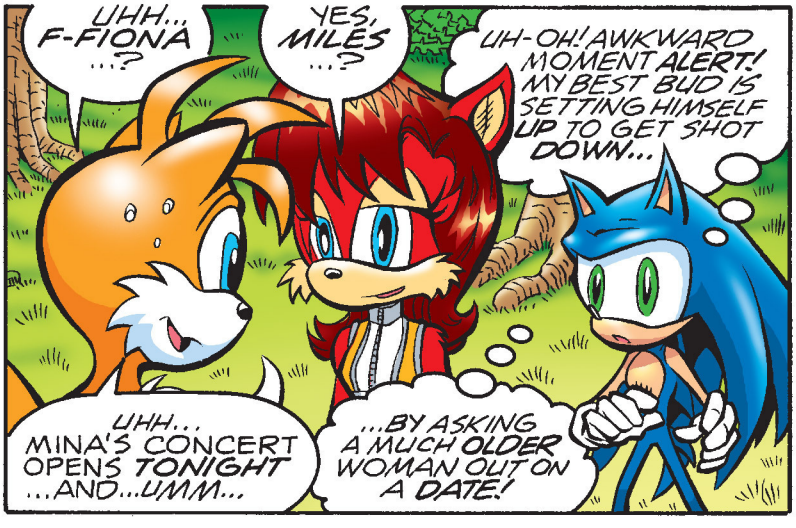

I FEAR WE MAY CUT THIS TOUR* SHORT UNLESS THERE IS SOME IMPROVEMENT.
HAS DOCTOR QUACK MADE ANY PROGRESS WITH YOUR CONDITION?
*THE KING AND QUEEN ARE ON A TOUR TO BUILD SUPPORT AGAINST DR. ROBOTNIK--

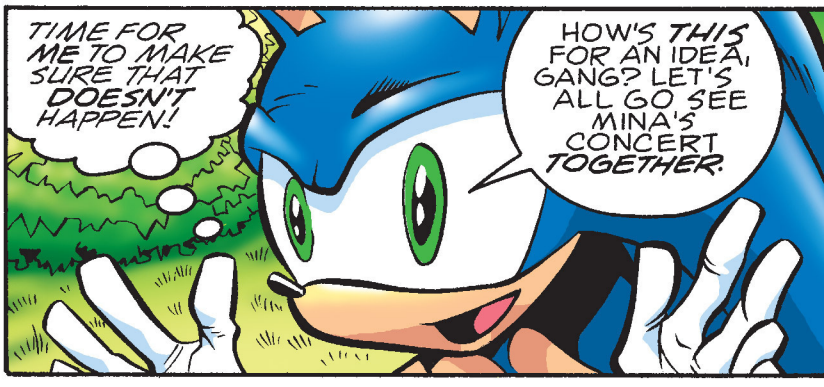

QUACK THINKS IT MAY BE WE WERE POISONED ON THE BATTLE FIELD YEARS AGO, AND IT IS ONLY AFFECTING US NOW.
MAYBE YOU BOTH SHOULD COME HOME. THE TWO OF YOU ARE SHOWING SIMILAR SYMPTOMS.
YOU OF ALL PEOPLE KNOW THAT WE MUST PUT THE KINGDOM BEFORE OURSELVES.
YOU OF ALL PEOPLE SHOULD KNOW THAT INCAPACITATED IS NO USE TO ANYONE.
WHA...
HE HAS BEEN HAVING SOME WEAKNESS IN HIS LEGS.* NOTHING TO BE CONCERNED WITH.
GENERAL, ARE YOU...
GENERAL?!
*KING MAX WAS ONCE CONFINED TO A WHEELCHAIR.


LATER...
SO ANTOINE DIDN'T EVEN FLINCH WHEN HE HEARD?
NO. HE JUST WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT THE BATTLE SIMULATION WITH THE CHAOTIX.


DON'T MISS MINA THE SONGOOSE IN CONCERT TWO NIGHTS ONLY
TOO BAD THEY COULDN'T STAY FOR THIS.
I STILL CAN'T GET OVER HOW MINA WENT FROM SHY BABYSITTER TO POP STAR MEGA-SENSATION!

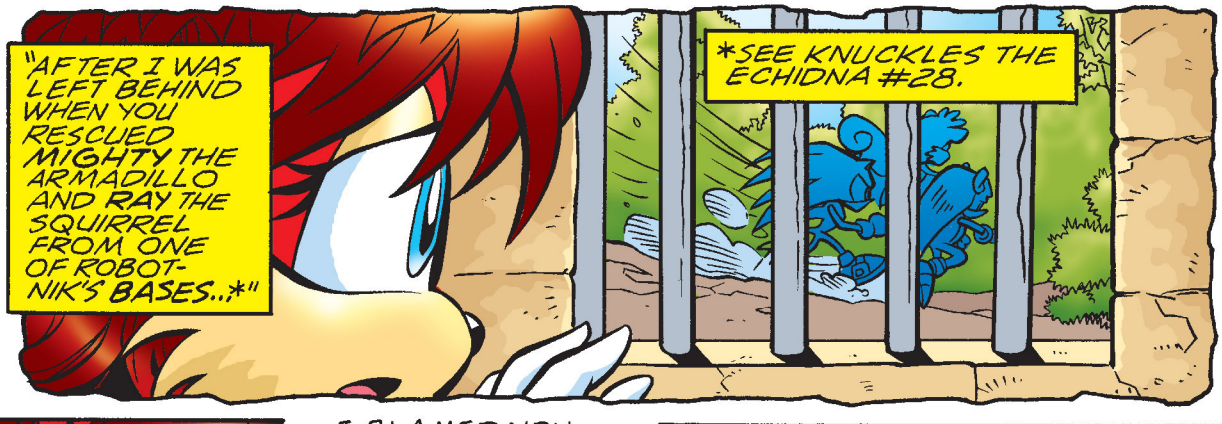

WHY NOT? THAT GAL'S GOT A MEAN SET O' PIPES!
IT WILL HELP EVERY-ONE CALM DOWN A LITTLE.

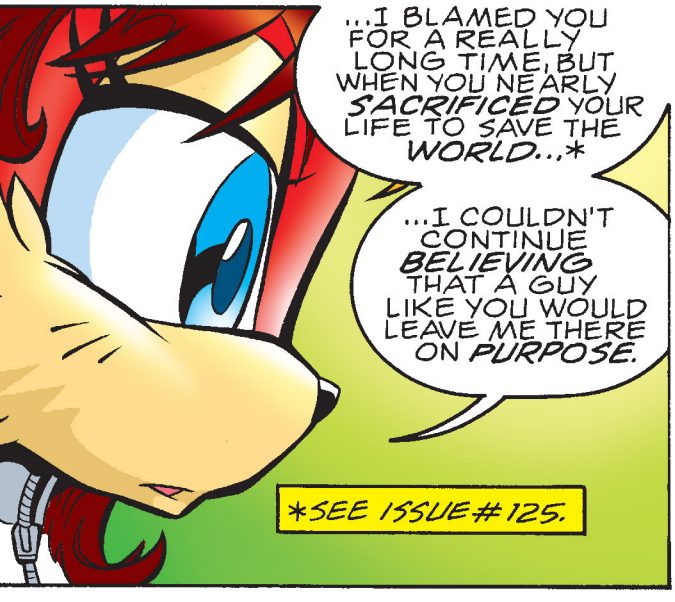

UHH... F-FIONA ...?
YES, MILES ...?
UH-OH! AWKWARD MOMENT ALERT! MY BEST BUD IS SETTING HIMSELF UP TO GET SHOT DOWN...
UHH... MINA'S CONCERT OPENS TONIGHT ...AND...UMM...
...BY ASKING A MUCH OLDER WOMAN OUT ON A DATE!

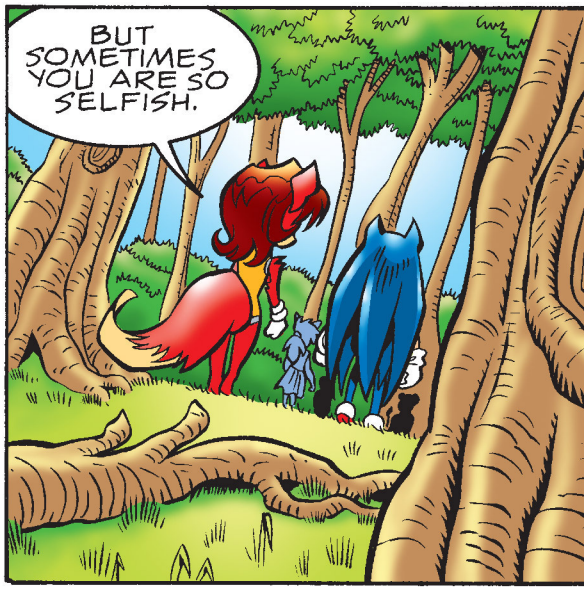

TIME FOR ME TO MAKE SURE THAT DOESN'T HAPPEN!
HOW'S THIS FOR AN IDEA, GANG? LET'S ALL GO SEE MINA'S CONCERT TOGETHER.

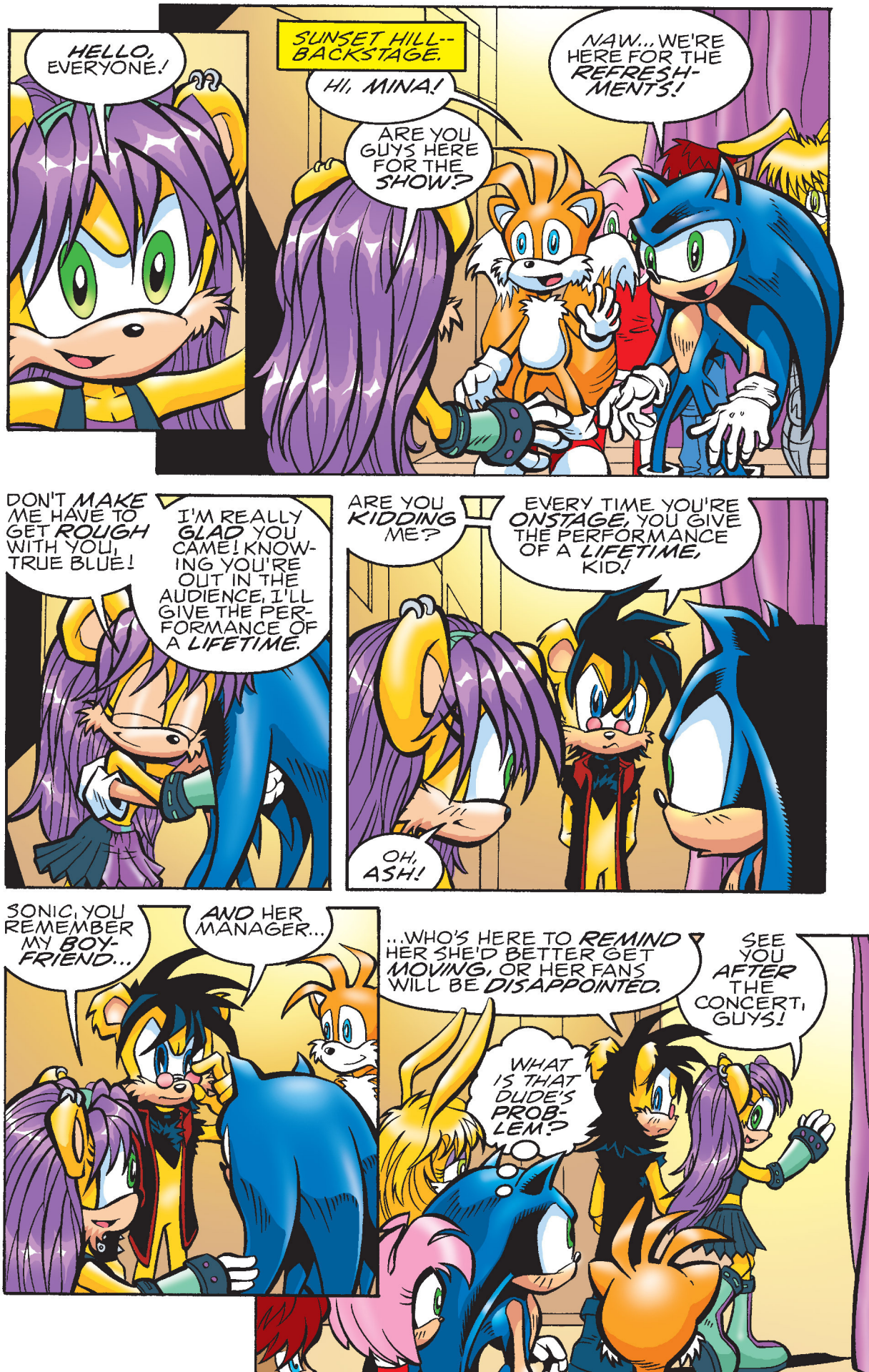
SOUNDS GREAT TO ME! SEE YA THEN!
AWESOME!
COUNT ME IN!

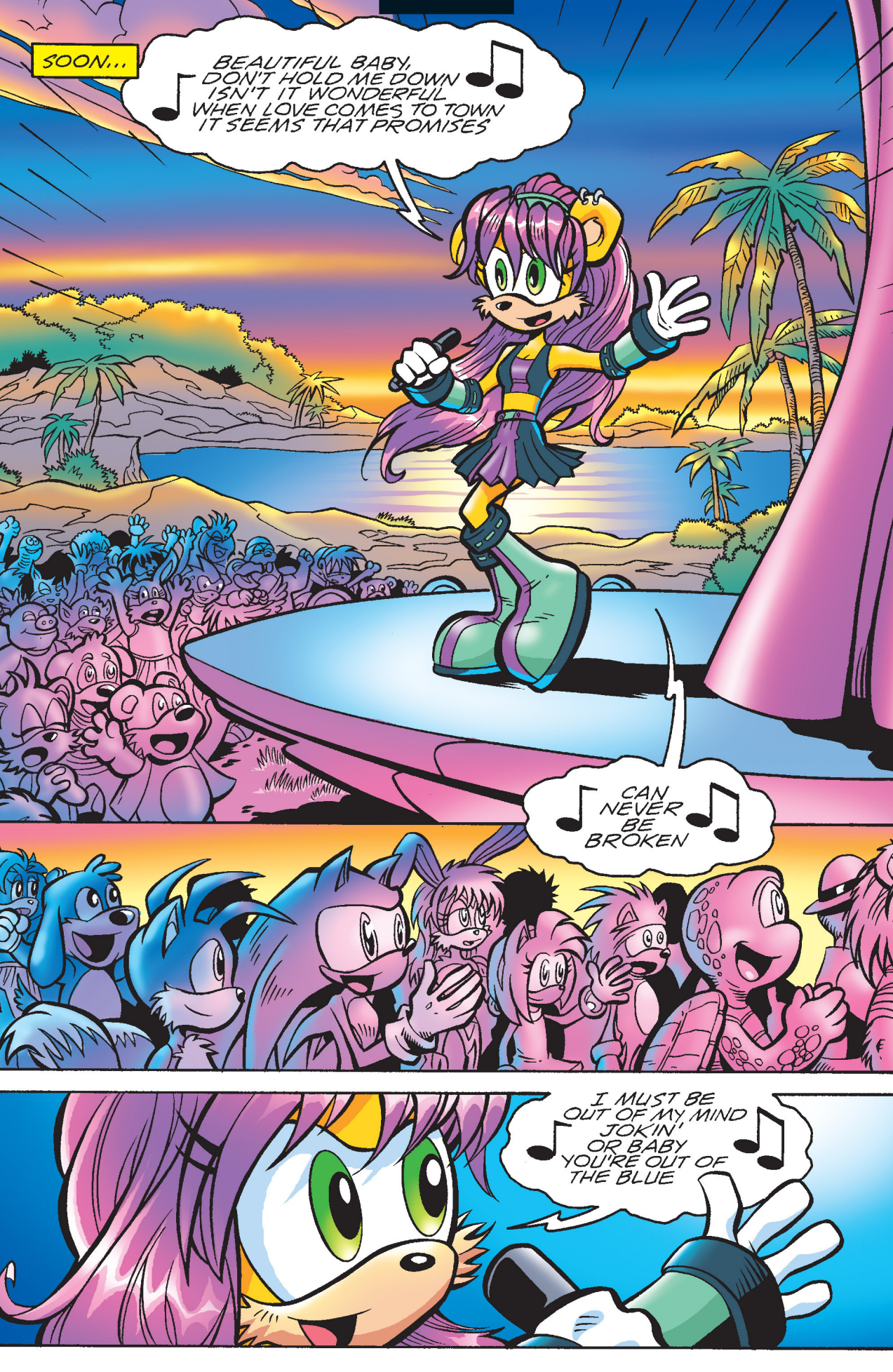
FIONA, YA KNOW TAILS HAS A LOT OF RESPECT FOR YOU...
RESPECT? YOU SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT OF THAT BEFORE...!*
*EVIL SONIC TRIED TO MAKE A MOVE ON FIONA, UNKNOWN TO SONIC--CHECK OUT #150 FOR THE WHOLE STORY.


"AFTER I WAS LEFT BEHIND WHEN YOU RESCUED MIGHTY THE ARMADILLO AND RAY THE SQUIRREL FROM ONE OF ROBOTNIK'S BASES..*"
*SEE KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #28.

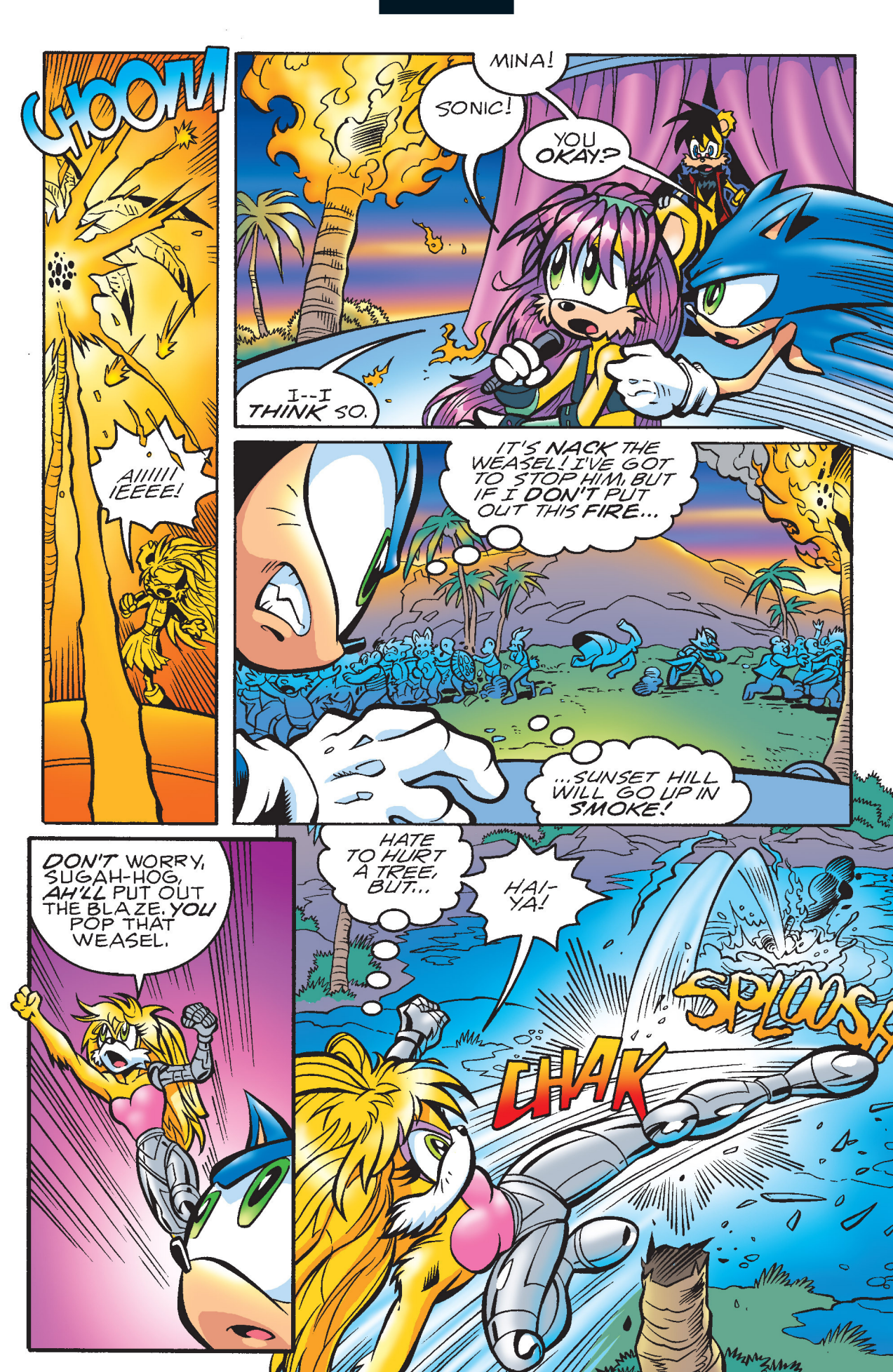

...I BLAMED YOU FOR A REALLY LONG TIME, BUT WHEN YOU NEARLY SACRIFICED YOUR LIFE TO SAVE THE WORLD...*
...I COULDN'T CONTINUE BELIEVING THAT A GUY LIKE YOU WOULD LEAVE ME THERE ON PURPOSE.
*SEE ISSUE #125.

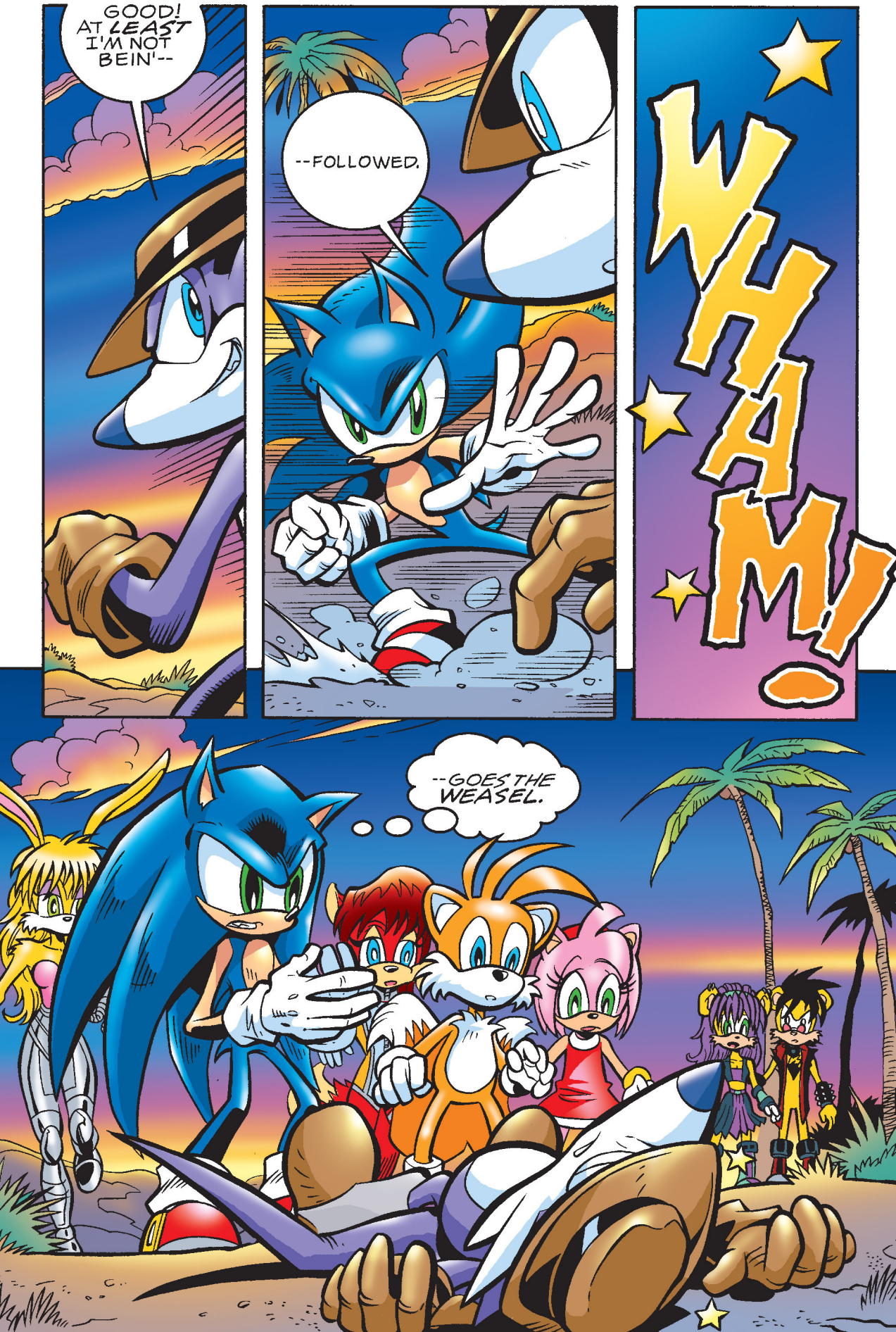

BUT SOMETIMES YOU ARE SO SELFISH.

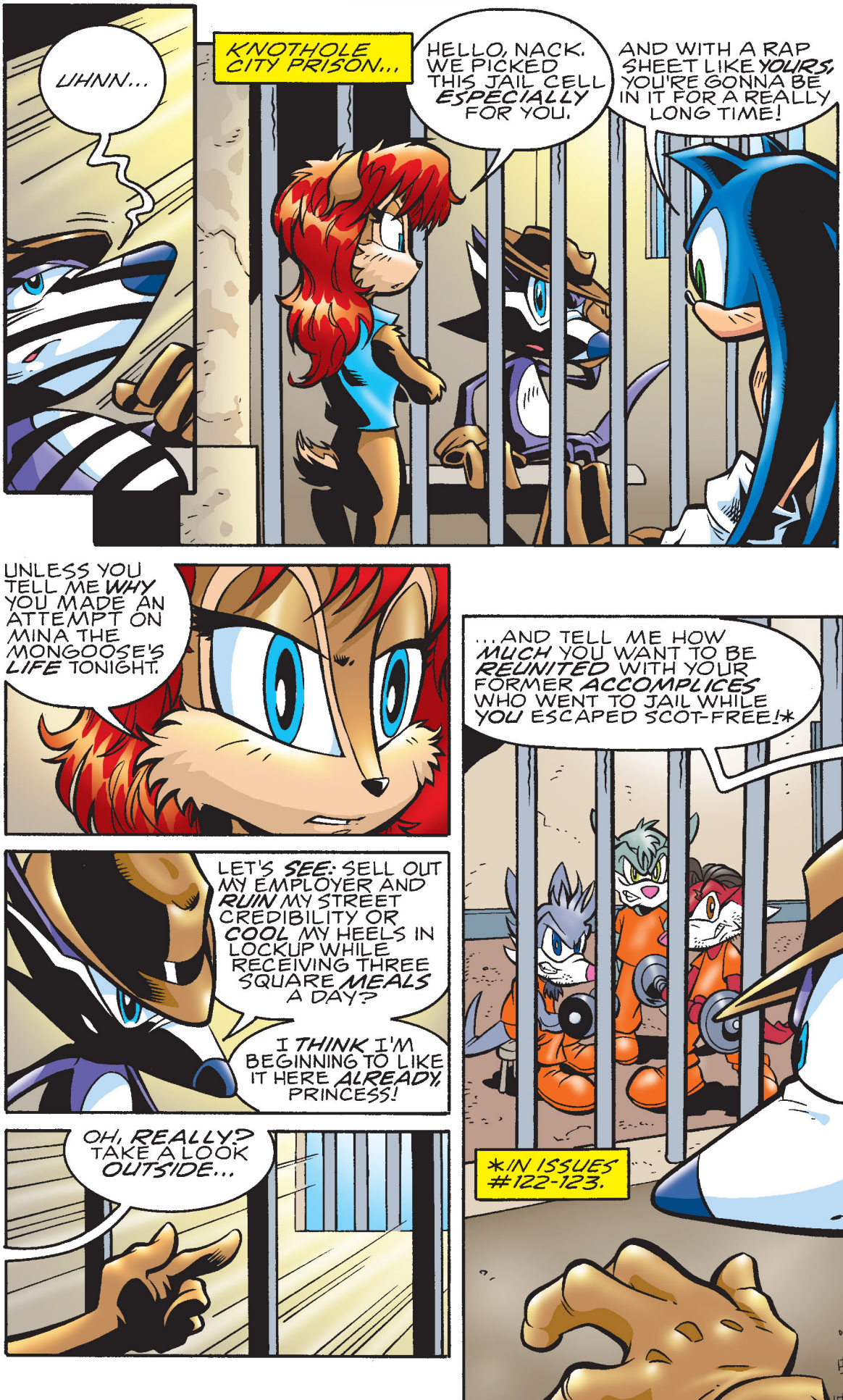

HELLO, EVERYONE!
SUNSET HILL-- BACKSTAGE.
HI, MINA!
ARE YOU GUYS HERE FOR THE SHOW?
NAW... WE'RE HERE FOR THE REFRESH-MENTS!
DON'T MAKE ME HAVE TO GET ROUGH WITH YOU, TRUE BLUE!
I'M REALLY GLAD YOU CAME! KNOW-ING YOU'RE OUT IN THE AUDIENCE, I'LL GIVE THE PER-FORMANCE OF A LIFETIME.
ARE YOU KIDDING ME?
EVERY TIME YOU'RE ONSTAGE, YOU GIVE THE PERFORMANCE OF A LIFETIME, KID!
OH, ASH!
SONIC, YOU REMEMBER MY BOY-FRIEND...
AND HER MANAGER...
...WHO'S HERE TO REMIND HER SHE'D BETTER GET MOVING, OR HER FANS WILL BE DISAPPOINTED.
WHAT IS THAT DUDE'S PROB-LEM?
SEE YOU AFTER THE CONCERT, GUYS!

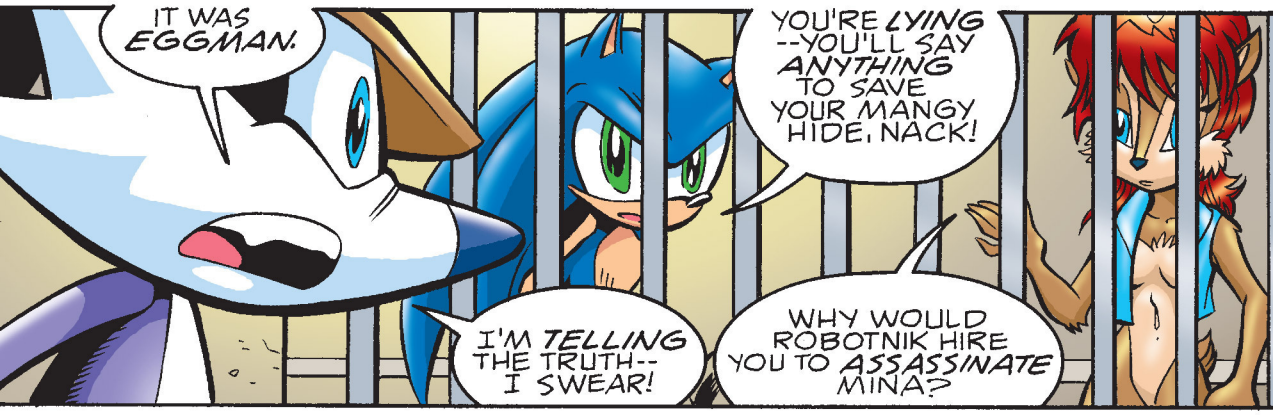

SOON...
BEAUTIFUL BABY, DON'T HOLD ME DOWN ISN'T IT WONDERFUL WHEN LOVE COMES TO TOWN IT SEEMS THAT PROMISES
CAN NEVER BE BROKEN
I MUST BE OUT OF MY MIND JOKIN' OR BABY YOU'RE OUT OF THE BLUE

WE'LL TAKE THE GOOD TIMES AND SMASH THE BAD TIMES INTO PIECES
YOU KEEP ME HOPING AND NOW I'M ROPED IN
YOU'VE GIVEN ME SOMETHING YOU'VE GIVEN ME SOMETHING REAL GOOD
WELL...
...DOESN'T THIS SCENARIO SEEM ALL TOO FAMILIAR? SO LONG, "SONGOOSE"...
WHAT THE--?!
ZARK
WHUMP

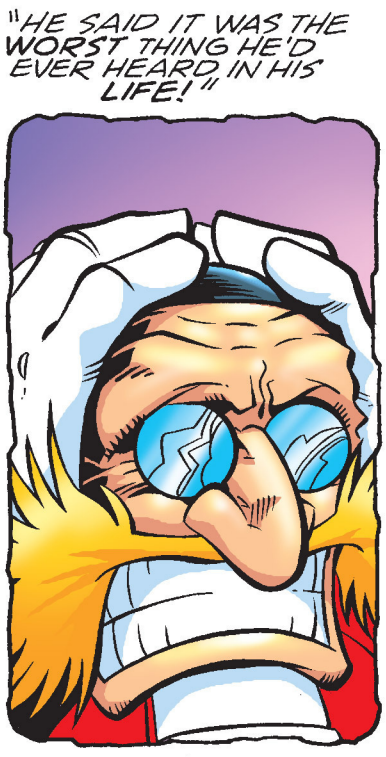

KHOOM!
AIIIIII IEEEE!
SONIC!
MINA!
YOU OKAY?
I--I THINK SO.
IT'S NACK THE WEASEL! I'VE GOT TO STOP HIM, BUT IF I DON'T PUT OUT THIS FIRE...
...SUNSET HILL WILL GO UP IN SMOKE!
DON'T WORRY, SUGAH-HOG, AH'LL PUT OUT THE BLAZE. YOU POP THAT WEASEL.
I HATE TO HURT A TREE, BUT...
HAI-YA!
CHAK
SPLOOSH


GOOD! AT LEAST I'M NOT BEIN'--
--FOLLOWED.
WHAM!
--GOES THE WEASEL.

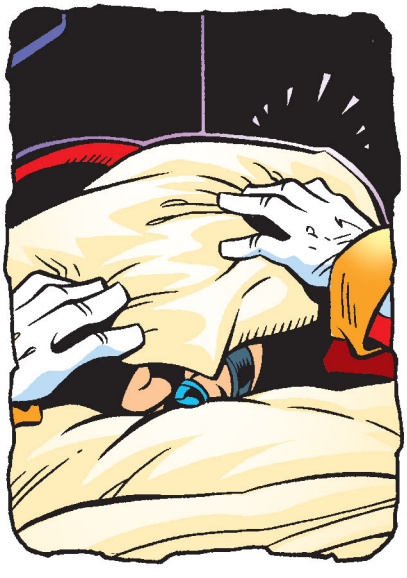

UHNN...
KNOTHOLE CITY PRISON...
HELLO, NACK. WE PICKED THIS JAIL CELL *ESPECIALLY* FOR YOU.
AND WITH A RAP SHEET LIKE *YOURS*, YOU'RE GONNA BE IN IT FOR A REALLY LONG TIME!
UNLESS YOU TELL ME *WHY* YOU MADE AN ATTEMPT ON MINA THE MONGOOSE'S *LIFE* TONIGHT.
...AND TELL ME HOW *MUCH* YOU WANT TO BE *REUNITED* WITH YOUR FORMER *ACCOMPLICES* WHO WENT TO JAIL WHILE *YOU* ESCAPED SCOT-FREE!*
LET'S *SEE*: SELL OUT MY EMPLOYER AND *RUIN* MY STREET CREDIBILITY OR *COOL* MY HEELS IN LOCKUP WHILE RECEIVING THREE SQUARE *MEALS* A DAY?
I *THINK* I'M BEGINNING TO LIKE IT HERE *ALREADY*, PRINCESS!
OH, *REALLY*? TAKE A LOOK *OUTSIDE*...
*IN ISSUES #122-123.

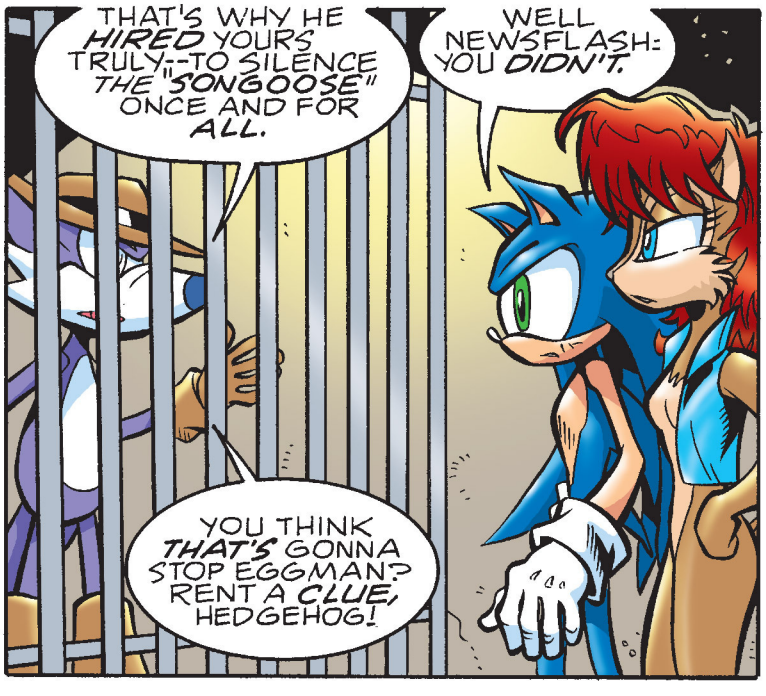

IT WAS EGGMAN.
I'M TELLING THE TRUTH-- I SWEAR!
YOU'RE LYING --YOU'LL SAY ANYTHING TO SAVE YOUR MANGY HIDE, NACK!
WHY WOULD ROBOTNIK HIRE YOU TO ASSASSINATE MINA?

"I KNOW IT SOUNDS CRAZY, BUT HE TOLD ME HE TURNED ON HIS RADIO ONE DAY AND HEARD ONE OF THE MONGOOSE CHICK'S SONGS."

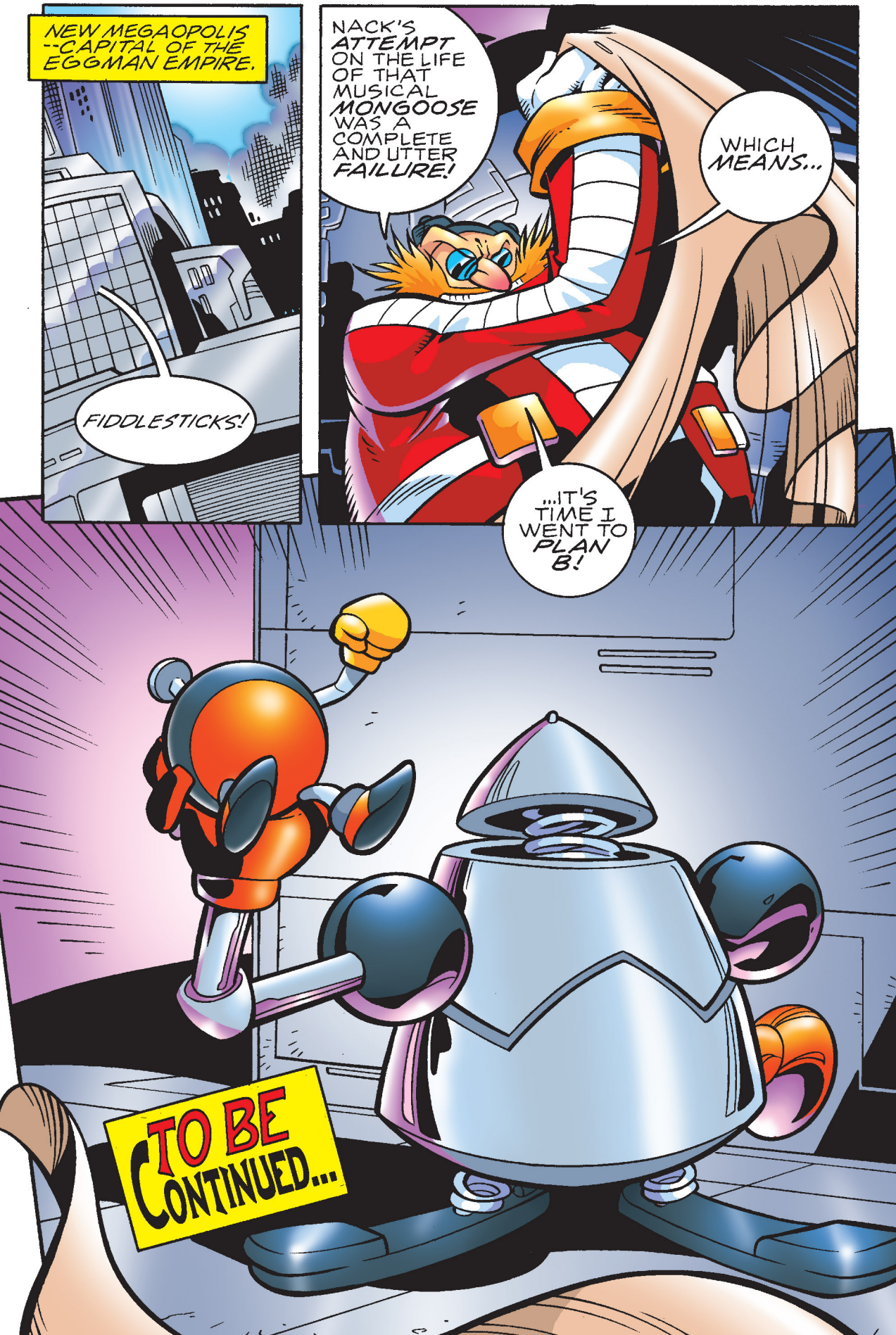

"HE SAID IT WAS THE WORST THING HE'D EVER HEARD IN HIS LIFE!"

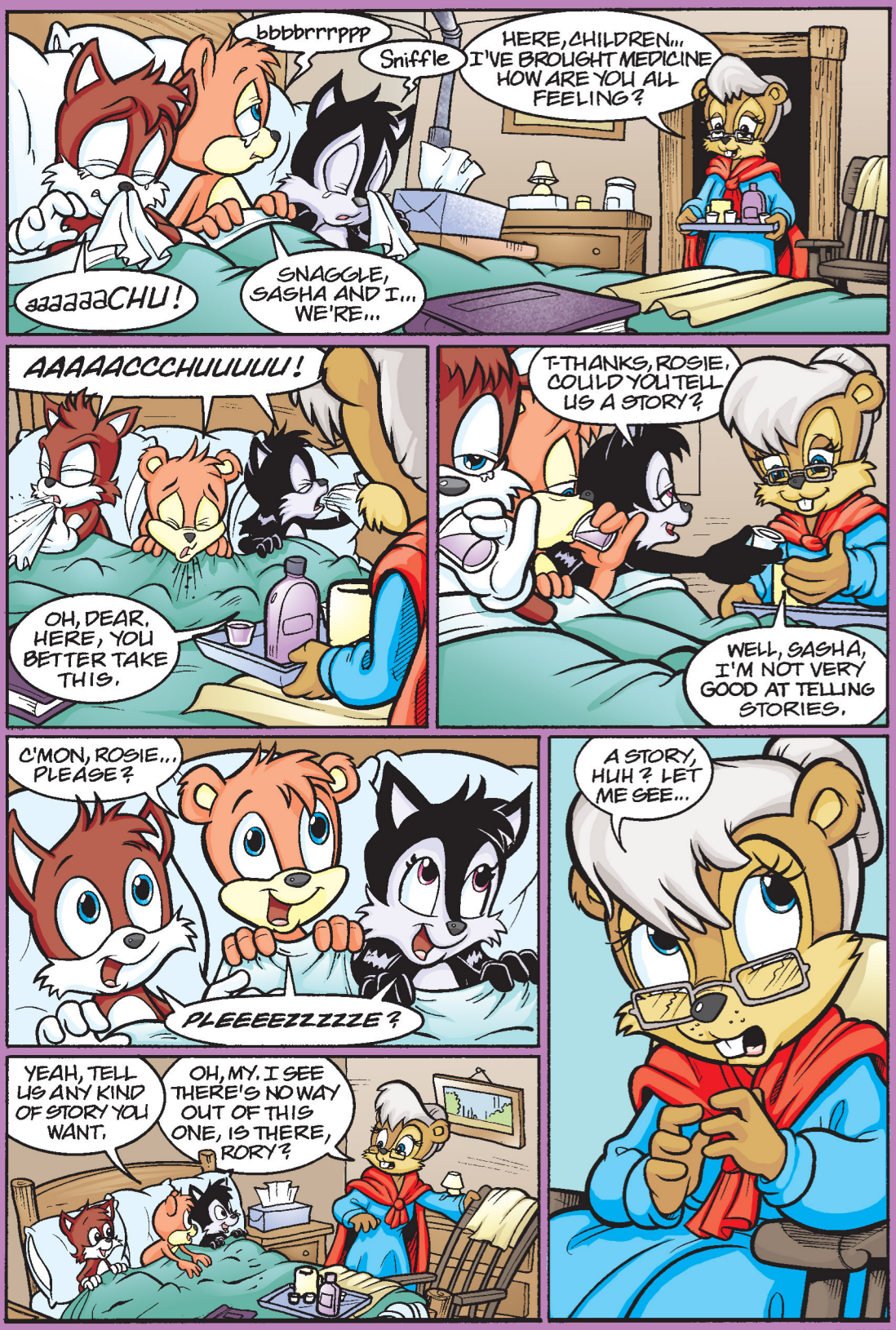
"FROM THAT MOMENT, ROBOTNIK OUTLAWED ALL MINA-RELATED MEMORABILIA IN HIS TERRITORIES AND JAMMED THE AIR-WAVES SO NOBODY COULD LISTEN TO HER MUSIC..."


"...BUT EVEN THOUGH HE DID ALL THAT, HE COULDN'T GET THAT SONG OUT OF HIS HEAD!"

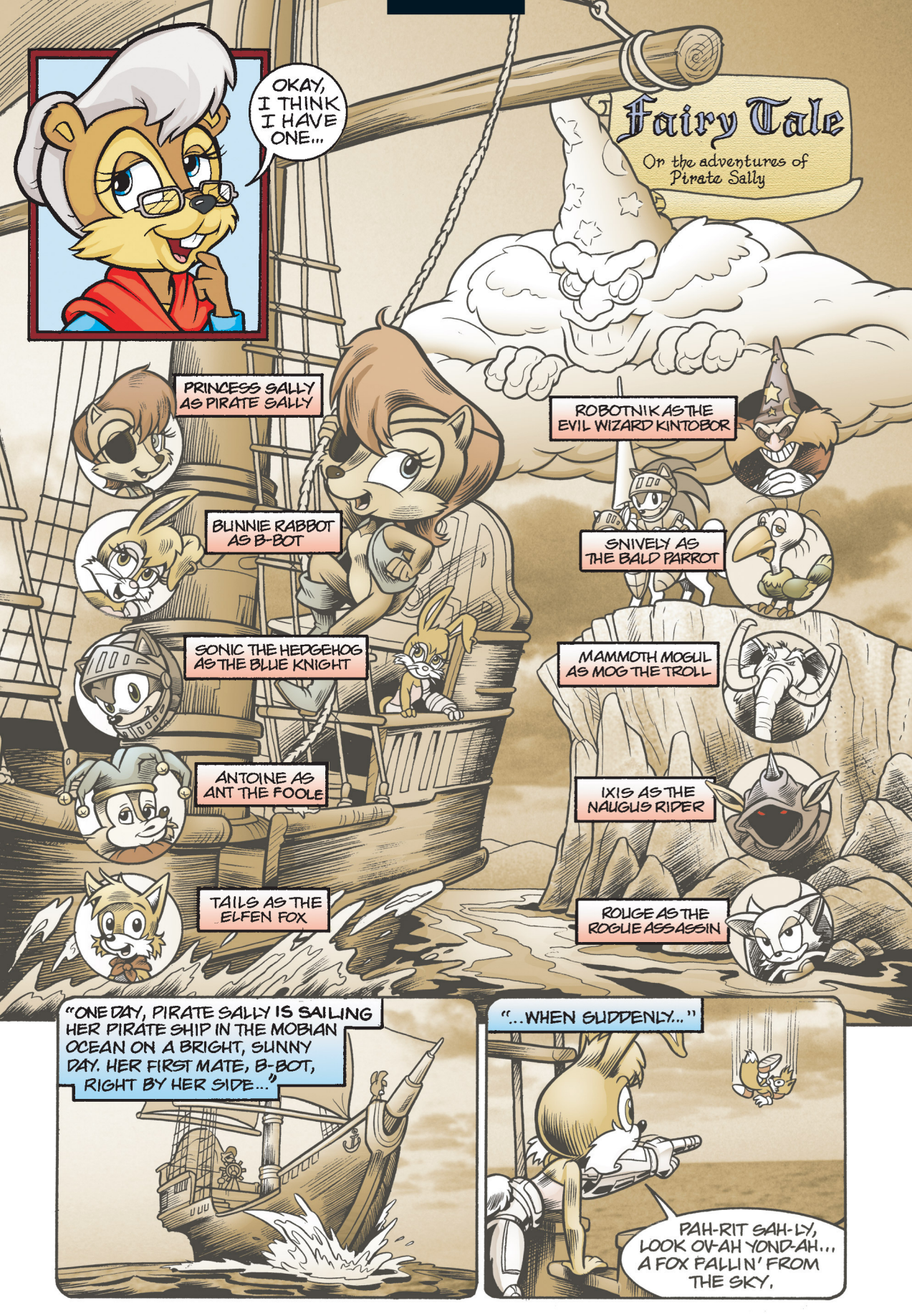

THAT'S WHY HE HIRED YOURS TRULY--TO SILENCE THE "SONGOOSE" ONCE AND FOR ALL.
YOU THINK THAT'S GONNA STOP EGGMAN? RENT A CLUE, HEDGEHOG!
WELL NEWSFLASH: YOU DIDN'T.

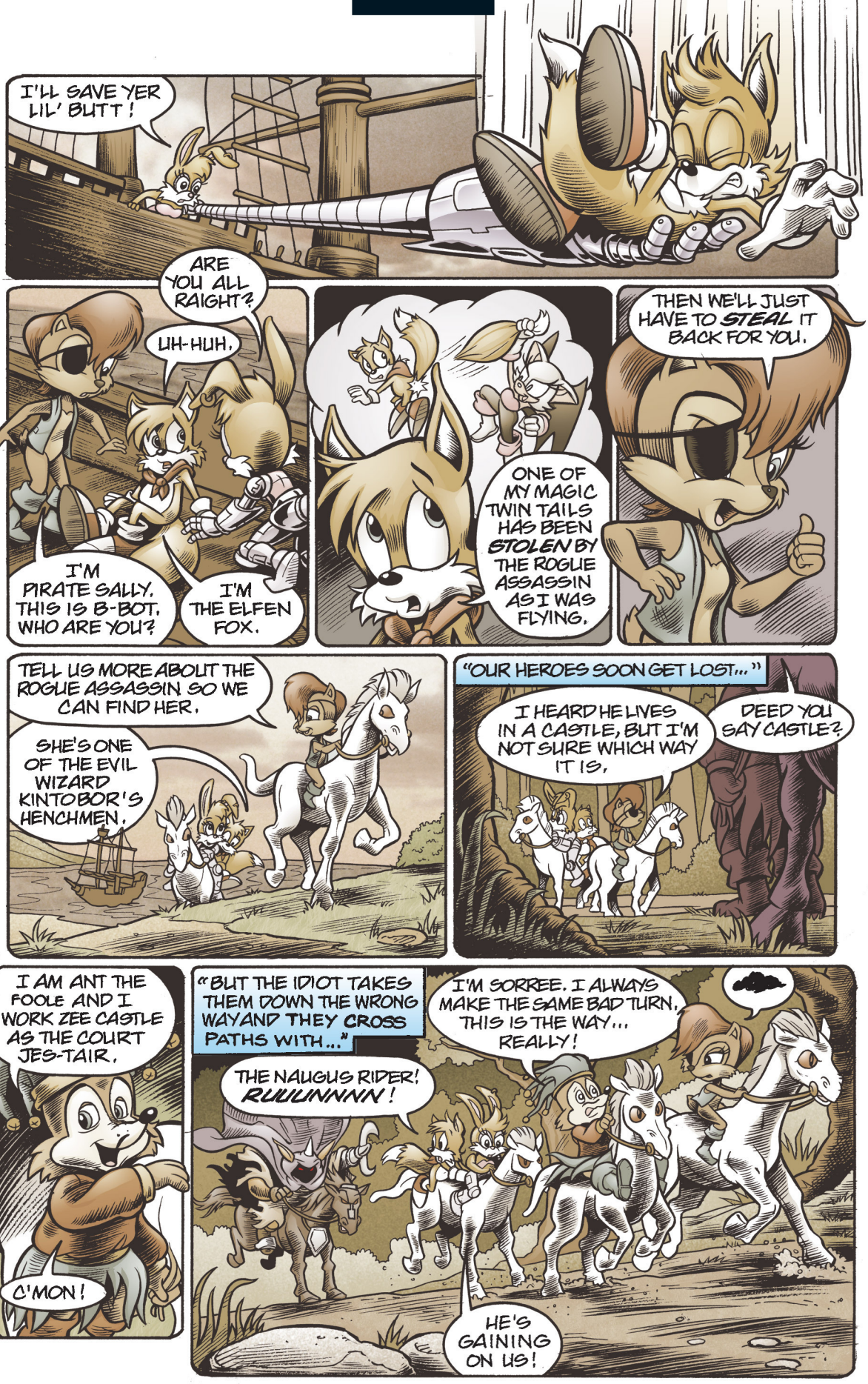
YOU'RE NOT SERIOUS!
I'M DEAD SERIOUS, ASH.
MINA'S LIFE IS IN DANGER. I WANT THE KNOTHOLE FREEDOM FIGHTERS TO REPLACE HER SECURITY DETAIL...
...WITH SONIC SERVING AS HER PERSONAL BODYGUARD FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE CONCERT.
WHAT CAN HE DO THAT OUR REGULAR BODYGUARDS CAN'T?
UHH... KEEP HER BREATHING?
MEH.
Y'KNOW...
...I'VE GOT A FEELING THAT YOUR BOYFRIEND DOESN'T LIKE ME TOO MUCH!

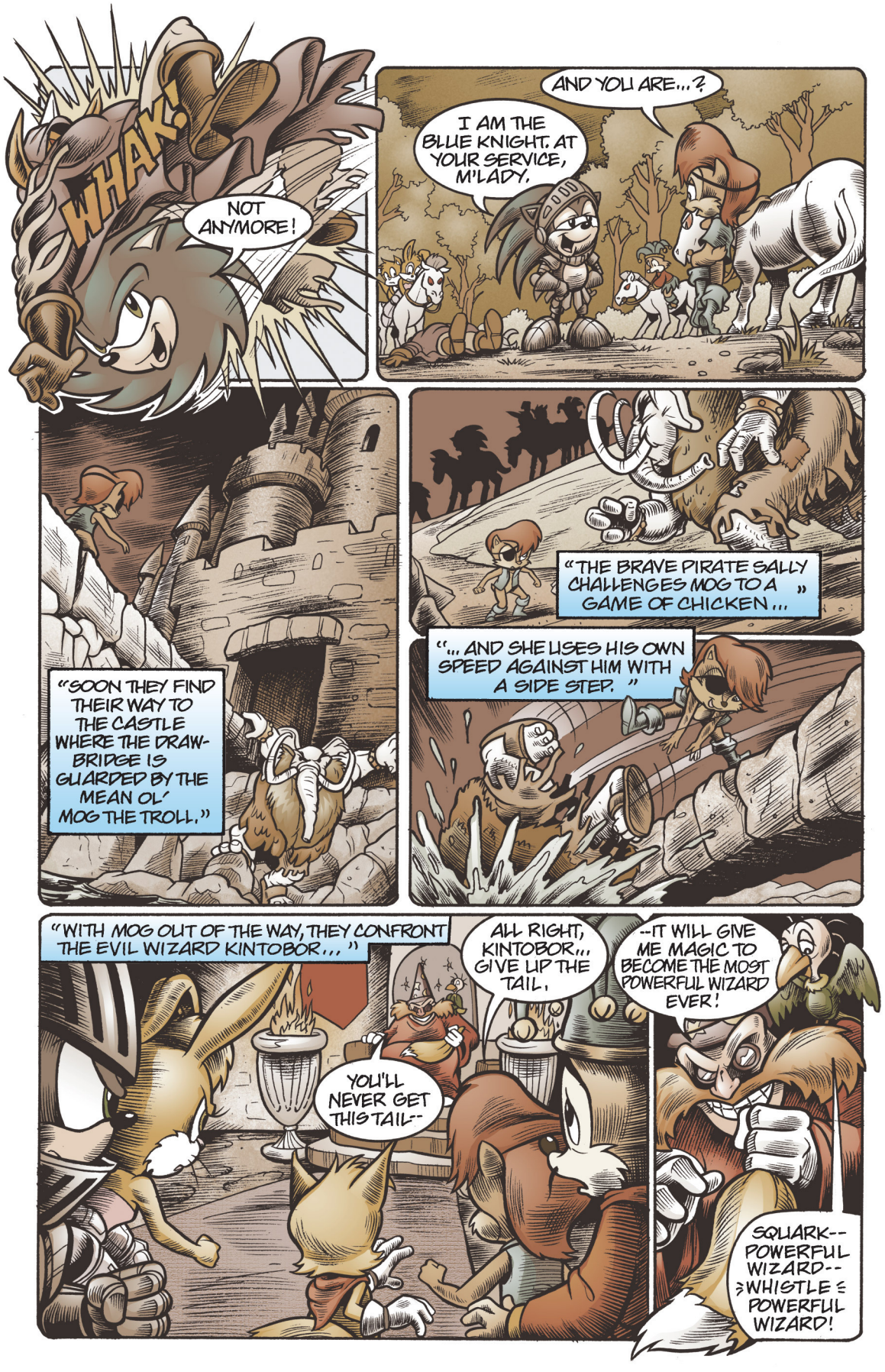

NEW MEGAOPOLIS --CAPITAL OF THE EGGMAN EMPIRE.
FIDDLESTICKS!
NACK'S ATTEMPT ON THE LIFE OF THAT MUSICAL MONGOOSE WAS A COMPLETE AND UTTER FAILURE!
WHICH MEANS...
...IT'S TIME I WENT TO PLAN B!
TO BE CONTINUED...


bbbbrrrppp
Sniffle
HERE, CHILDREN... I'VE BROUGHT MEDICINE. HOW ARE YOU ALL FEELING?
aaaaaaCHU!
SNAGGLE, SASHA AND I... WE'RE...
AAAAACCCHUUUUUU!
OH, DEAR. HERE, YOU BETTER TAKE THIS.
T-THANKS, ROSIE. COULD YOU TELL US A STORY?
WELL, SASHA, I'M NOT VERY GOOD AT TELLING STORIES.
C'MON, ROSIE... PLEASE?
PLEEEEZZZZZE?
A STORY, HUH? LET ME SEE...
YEAH, TELL US ANY KIND OF STORY YOU WANT.
OH, MY. I SEE THERE'S NO WAY OUT OF THIS ONE, IS THERE, RORY?

ROMY CHACON-***WALK THE PLANK*** ART MAWHINNEY-***SWAB THE DECK*** VICKIE WILLIAMS-***HOIST THE SAILS***
RICH KOSLOWSKI-***ALL HANDS ON DECK*** JOSH RAY-***SHIVER ME TIMBERS***


OKAY, I THINK I HAVE ONE...
Fairy Tale
Or the adventures of Pirate Sally
PRINCESS SALLY AS PIRATE SALLY
BUNNIE RABBOT AS B-BOT
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG AS THE BLUE KNIGHT
ANTOINE AS ANT THE FOOLE
TAILS AS THE ELFEN FOX
ROBOTNIK AS THE EVIL WIZARD KINTOBOR
SNIVELY AS THE BALD PARROT
MAMMOTH MOGUL AS MOG THE TROLL
IXIS AS THE NAUGUS RIDER
ROUGE AS THE ROGUE ASSASSIN
"ONE DAY, PIRATE SALLY IS SAILING HER PIRATE SHIP IN THE MOBIAN OCEAN ON A BRIGHT, SUNNY DAY. HER FIRST MATE, B-BOT, RIGHT BY HER SIDE..."
"...WHEN SUDDENLY..."
PAH-RIT SAH-LY, LOOK OV-AH YOND-AH... A FOX FALLIN' FROM THE SKY.


I'LL SAVE YER LIL' BUTT!
ARE YOU ALL RAIGHT?
UH-HUH.
I'M PIRATE SALLY. THIS IS B-BOT. WHO ARE YOU?
I'M THE ELFEN FOX.
ONE OF MY MAGIC TWIN TAILS HAS BEEN STOLEN BY THE ROGUE ASSASSIN AS I WAS FLYING.
THEN WE'LL JUST HAVE TO STEAL IT BACK FOR YOU.
TELL US MORE ABOUT THE ROGUE ASSASSIN SO WE CAN FIND HER.
SHE'S ONE OF THE EVIL WIZARD KINTOBOR'S HENCHMEN.
"OUR HEROES SOON GET LOST..."
I HEARD HE LIVES IN A CASTLE, BUT I'M NOT SURE WHICH WAY IT IS.
DEED YOU SAY CASTLE?
I AM ANT THE FOOLE AND I WORK ZEE CASTLE AS THE COURT JES-TAIR.
C'MON!
"BUT THE IDIOT TAKES THEM DOWN THE WRONG WAY AND THEY CROSS PATHS WITH..."
I'M SORREE. I ALWAYS MAKE THE SAME BAD TURN. THIS IS THE WAY... REALLY!
THE NAUGUS RIDER! RUUUNNNN!
HE'S GAINING ON US!


WHAK!
NOT ANYMORE!
AND YOU ARE...?
I AM THE BLUE KNIGHT. AT YOUR SERVICE, M'LADY.
"SOON THEY FIND THEIR WAY TO THE CASTLE WHERE THE DRAW-BRIDGE IS GUARDED BY THE MEAN OL' MOG THE TROLL."
"THE BRAVE PIRATE SALLY CHALLENGES MOG TO A GAME OF CHICKEN..."
"... AND SHE USES HIS OWN SPEED AGAINST HIM WITH A SIDE STEP."
"WITH MOG OUT OF THE WAY, THEY CONFRONT THE EVIL WIZARD KINTOBOR..."
ALL RIGHT, KINTOBOR... GIVE UP THE TAIL.
YOU'LL NEVER GET THIS TAIL--
--IT WILL GIVE ME MAGIC TO BECOME THE MOST POWERFUL WIZARD EVER!
SQUARK-- POWERFUL WIZARD-- WHISTLE POWERFUL WIZARD!

"BUT LIKE A WELL-OILED MACHINE, THE TEAM ATTACKS AT ONCE, CAUSING KINTOBOR TO MOMENTARILY LOSE THE TAIL."
"BUT IT IS A MOMENT TOO LONG FOR KINTOBOR AS THE ELFEN FOX GETS BACK HIS TAIL."
YYiiippEEE!
THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH, ESPECIALLY YOU, PIRATE SALLY. I'LL NEVER FORGET WHAT YOU DID!
"AND WITH THAT, OUR HERO TAKES HER KNIGHT'S HAND, AND THEY LIVE HAPPILY EVER AFTER, THE END..."
THE END? WHAT DO YOU MEAN? WHAT HAPPENED TO KINTOBOR?
I DON'T UNDERSTAND THE CHARACTERS' INDIVIDUAL MOTIVATIONS.
YEAH, AND HOW CAN THE PIRATE AND THE KNIGHT FALL IN LOVE SO FAST?
HERE'S WHAT WE CAN DO TO MAKE THE STORY BETTER: WHEN SALLY GETS OFF THE SHIP...
EVERYBODY'S A CRITIC!
The End